

DX News

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CPC Test Calendar

WKDK	SC	1240	Feb. 3	0000-0100
WGY	NY	810	Feb. 24	0200-0400

WGY-810 Schenectady, NY will conduct a DX test on Sunday, February 24th. From PD Greg Foster: "Since we'll be running Coast-to-Coast AM at the time, we'll run DX announcements three times per hour between 2am and 4am, at :03, :32 and :58 past the hour." Morse code ID's should also be included in the announcements. Reception reports may be sent to Greg Foster, Program Director WGY/Clear Channel Radio - One Washington Square - Albany, NY 12205 <<dx>wgy.com>>. Arranged by Dave Schmidt and Greg Foster for the NRC.

From the Publisher ... Tony Fitzherbert has relinquished his position as "Formats" column editor but promises to forward some Station Profiles after his next expedition. Contact the publisher via e-mail if you'd like to join the other fine DXN editors as Formats editor. And thanks to Tony for his many years of Formats editorship!

We're still compiling responses to printing Bandscans in DXN, but we can tell you that the response is definitely mixed. More later.

The latest from the Country Music Capital of the World is that WSM-650 will continue in its present c&w format. After an outcry from country fans and music stars and demonstrations near the station, Gaylord Entertainment, the owners of WSM, announced January 14 that the station will continue to broadcast country music and the Grand Ole Opry rather than switch to an all-talk, all-sports format. But those who follow the entertainment industry say that this action might not be the last attempt to turn WSM around into a money-making entity.

DXChange ... Russ Edmunds <<wb2bjh@nrcdxas.org>>, 753 Valley Rd. - Blue Bell, PA 19422-2052 is looking for a copy of the NRC 50th anniversary book. He also asks if anyone knows what became of the original masters which the editor, Tom Farmerje had.

Latin American Radio Tour 2002 ... The New Zealand Radio DX League is sponsoring a radio

holiday tour of Latin America in October, 2002, with tour leaders David and Jocelyne Ricquish. David is former editor of the *New Zealand DX Times*. Jocelyne speaks fluent Spanish and Portuguese, and both have experience with leading other tour groups and are familiar with Latin America. DX'ers can join the tour in Buenos Aires. The cost is US \$2410* for land arrangements on a per-person-share-twin basis. The full itinerary and booking conditions can be found at the New Zealand Radio DX League website <http://radiodx.com/spdxr/dxtour.htm> or can be obtained from Latin American Radio Tour, PO Box 14339, Wellington, New Zealand. You can also e-mail David and Jocelyne directly at ragusa@paradise.net.nz. The Latin American Radio Tour is managed by Travel & Learn Tours, Calder & Lawson Travel, a bonded member of the Travel Agents Association of New Zealand.

* US\$1 = NZ\$2.38 as at January 6, 2002. Prices are in fixed NZ dollars and US dollar amount billed may fluctuate with currency movements. Deposit is US \$420. Credit card payments are welcome.

You can contact them in English, French, Spanish, Portuguese or Italian.

DX Time Machine

From the pages of DX News:

50 years ago ... from the January 26, 1952 DXN: On January 19, Sid Rosenbaum, Wheeling, WV, logged a test from XEYC-1460, Juárez, Mexico, with a woman announcing in English and Spanish; also logged by Joe Brauner, Williamsville, NY.

25 years ago ... from the January 31, 1977 DXN: A UPS strike greatly delayed delivery of the NRC Log to purchasers ... Hank Wilkinson, Santa Rosa, CA, said that in spite of not having DX'ed much since Thanksgiving he'd received five foreign veries during the current season: R. Jumbo-545, HLKC-640, BED-34-660, R. Cayman-1555, and R. Lighthouse-1165.

10 years ago ... from the January 27, 1992 DXN: Wayne Heinen and Jerry Starr were added to the NRC Board of Directors, opening up an editorship for DDXD ... WOMP-1290 Bellaire, OH went silent after a fire started by lights on a live Christmas tree in their lobby. A volunteer fire fighter commented that fighting the fire was difficult "... because the one-story building had several small, insulated rooms."

AM Switch

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Status changes in AM stations, supplied by the FCC and listeners

CALL LETTER CHANGES

	<u>Old call</u>		<u>New call</u>
590	KSZZ	CA San Bernardino	KRLH
590	KAQQ	WA Spokane	KQNT
910	WORD	SC Spartanburg	WSPA
950	WSPA	SC Spartanburg	WORD
1280	KUDY	WA Spokane	KAQQ
1360	KRYS	TX Corpus Christi	KKTX

APPLICATIONS / GRANTS FOR NEW STATIONS

None

APPLICATIONS FROM EXISTING FACILITIES

1080	WHOO	FL Kissimmee: 10000 D3
1090	WXBK	AL Albertville: 500 (500 CH) D1
1170	WPLX	TN Germantown: 10000 (10000 CH) D3
1380	WABH	NY Bath: 10000/450 (1000 CH) U7
1520	WDMN	OH Toledo: 1000/400 U4, relocate night operation to daytime transmitter site

GRANTS TO EXISTING FACILITIES

790	WTME	ME Rumford: to 780 kHz with 10000/18 U1
1550	WDLR	OH Delaware: 4000/190 (2300 CH) U7

OTHERNESS

790	WTME	ME Rumford: CP for 10000/18 U1 on 780 kHz is on
870	KAIM	HI Honolulu: station is SILENT; although it hasn't officially been canceled yet this station will not return to the air
1050	WJSB	FL Crestview: CP for 3100 D1 from new site is on
1270	WTJZ	VA Newport News: CP for 1500/900 U2 is on
1370	WLOV	GA Washington: station is SILENT
1380	WKJV	NC Asheville: CP for 25000/1000 U2 is on
1400	KIGO	ID St. Anthony: silent station is ON THE AIR
1490	KQDS	MN Duluth: CP to relocate transmitter is on
1530	KVDW	AR England: station is SILENT
1550	WSHN	MI Fremont: silent station is ON THE AIR
1550	WURP	PA Braddock: station is SILENT

THANKS: Bill Hale, Ed Krejny, Phil Boersma & MSJ

73 and Good DX, Jerry Starr & Buffalo K. Foonman

Broadcasters' Guides to DX and Reception Report Forms Four different tri-fold guides for use with reception reports explaining DX'ing, how the NRC was formed, and the importance of QSL's to DX'ers. AM editions in English (EEG), Spanish (SSG), and French (FFG); FM edition in English (FMG). 20 for U\$3.50 (\$4.50 non-members). Reception report forms (NRC members ONLY, please) with NRC logo: in English, 50 for \$6.00 (EERF); in Spanish, .50 each (SSRF); in French, .50 each (FERF). Order from NRC Publications. (NY residents, add sales tax)

County Cross Reference

What a time ~~to have~~ a complete list of counties, parishes, and similar political divisions in the U. S. and Canada. Two lists are included: alpha by county, and by state. Compiled by Bill Hale and designed and produced by Wayne and Joan Heinen. \$7.50 for members, \$10.95, non-member. Order "CCR" from the NRC Publications center; NY residents, please include sales tax.



Jimmy & BKF

Domestic DX Digest

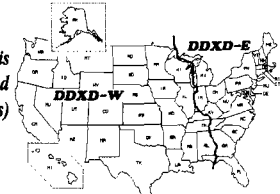
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(Division line is between East and Central time zones)



DX Catches in the U. S. and Canada, with 24-hr. ELT

DDXD-West

MEDIUM WAVE RAMBLINGS

- Back from a winter holiday across the big lake east of Maine, Shawn sez: "Nice way to start the new year off. Returned from my vacation, feel great . . . poorer but great. Spent lots of time with my daughter in Southern France and took a quick tour of Spain, Portugal, and a day in Gibraltar . . . it really is a BIGGGGG rock. No radio no computer no phone for three and half weeks so I feel great and recharged."
- Gary logs stations other than in the X-Band!!! And Wally takes it over, hi.
- Tim Hall bags a couple more Graveyarders, and maybe more as I have to figure out the coordinates from a couple of his DXING spots. Stay tuned . . .
- A GREAT turnout for the week. Let's keep those dials turning while the DX is HOT!! CUN7

REPORTERS

FA-ID	Frank Aden Boise FRG-7 + 25' vertical with Uniden CR2021 and 4' box loop <N7sok@aol.com>
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KR-AZ	Kevin Redding Mesa Sony ICF-2010 barefoot <amfmdvx@qwest.net>
TR-IL	Thomas Reiser Chicago Sony ICF 2003 barefoot <ReiserT@aol.com>
MS-MB	Morris Sorensen Winnipeg Drake R8 with Quantum QX Pro loop; DX-392 with stock antenna <SMosor@aol.com>
WW-TX	Wally Wawro Rowlett DX 398 barefoot
WW-TX1	Wally Wawro Rowlett wife's 2001 Jeep Grand Cherokee
JW-CO	John Wilkins Wheat Ridge Drake R-8, 4-foot box loop <peakbagger3@juno.com>
DZ-WI	Dan Ziolkowski Franklin RX-320 + 100' wire <dziolkowski@wi.rr.com>
Ed.-TX	Editor North Richland Hills DX-398 barefoot

STATION NEWS & NOTES

650	CKOM	SK Saskatoon - 1/12 0750 - Good signal, with ID as 650 CKOM News Talk Radio. New calls. Ex: CINT. (SA-MB)
760	KKZN	CO Thornton - 1/11 1300 - New call, ex: KTLK, with SPT programming, 760 The Zone slogans. Had Jim Rome Show during this time slot. (JW-CO)
1230	KFJB	IA Marshalltown - 1/15 - Has dropped oldies programming and is now all-News/Talk. The lineup includes Mike Gallagher, Shaun Hannity, Mike Savage, and ABC News. (Upper Midwest Broadcasting)
1580	WTUX	WI Madison - 1/12 0800 - Good signal, with ID: You're listening to the Music of Your Life on AM 1550 WTUX Madison. Now on with NOS, or adult standards music, and with these calls. Ex: WHIT. NEW. (SA-MB)

1680 KRJO LA Monroe - 1/12 0730 - Poor signal, under WJNZ. NEW. (SA-MB)

UNIDs and UNID HELP

860 UNID ?? - 1/13 1855 - Good, in KKOW and CJBC nulls with 50s and 60s oldies. *The Greatest Oldies from 50s and 60s on AM 860* slogan instead of full ID at ToH. (CR-IL)

1090 UNID ?? - 1/7 0551 - Heard (a few hours after the KTNS test that did not run) with the *Country Music Radio* satellite country format, very faintly in a tight null of KAAV. Any guesses? (RD-NE)

1270 UNID ?? - 1/13 1915 - Talk show with Dr. Loyce Brothers answering questions. (CR-IL)

1270 UNID ?? - 1/13 1926 - Sporting News Radio affiliate with football talk. Who carries Sporting News Radio on 1270? Their web site is of no help on the matter. (CR-IL)

1450 UNID ?? - 1/9 2334 - Atop the channel for a minute or so, with *Common Sense Radio* hosted by Oliver North. Anyone out there with an affiliate list for this show?? (RD-NE)

1650 UNID ?? - 1/12 0130 - Faded up briefly over KWHN and KBJD with *Dream Lover*. (WW-TX)

1660 UNID ?? - 1/12 0134 - Weak, in KXTR null. Sports summary with *Sporting News Radio Network* ID. No firm call letters given; guessing this is KAXW, Merced. (WW-TX)

1670 UNID ?? - 1/12 0149 - Black gospel music over and under WTDY. (WW-TX)

DX AND EQUIPMENT TESTS

970 WRCS- NC Ahoskie - 1/12 0000-0100 - No definite sign of the test. May have been some very weak code in mess, but not sure. (FA-ID)

970 WRCS- NC Ahoskie - 1/12 0002 - Not heard; only a jumble of SS, REL, and talk, with no IDs heard from anyone in 40 minutes of listening! (JW-CO)

970 WRCS+ NC Ahoskie - 1/12 0005 - Poor-to-fair, with CW IDs on DX Test. Much local noise and interference from several stations, including the Mexican, I believe. (KDF-IL)

970 WRCS+ NC Ahoskie - 1/12 0016 - Good, with continuous code IDs and changing pitch of the code throughout the test. News. (CR-IL)

970 WRCS+ NC Ahoskie - 1/12 0033 - Faint, with only code IDs noted now and again at 0050. First from North Carolina from this QTH. (RD-NE)

TIS & OTHER STUFF

790 KCOR CA Richmond - 1/9 - With *Sidewalks Entertainment* show, with rock music and talk from 1910-1920+. Have noted this TIS/HAR carrying city meetings, etc + musical programs. (DKK-CA)

840 WPEI433 CA San Francisco - 1/9 - Cal Trans outlet (one of many on 840) atop at 1707 over WPEX988-Belvedere. Thanks Bob P. (DKK-CA)

MIDNIGHT TO MIDNIGHT ELT

540 CBT NF Grand Falls - 1/15 0035 - Fair, in WRRD null, with classical music. Promo for the Morning Show, including mentions of Newfoundland at 0059 and into CBC News at 0100. No actual ID heard, so only tentative. (CR-IL)

550 KFYI AZ Phoenix - 1/11 1932 - Fair, with 55 KFYI ID and Arizona news stories. (RD-NE)

550 KLLV CO Breen - 1/7 0759 - Fair, with instrumental hymns and sign-on. (RD-NE)

550 KLLV CO Breen - 1/16 0844-0849 - End of *Our Daily Bread* program, female announcer's comments, two musical recordings. Poor signal, in KFYR null, at 630 miles. First time heard; reception reported. (BM-SD)

550 KCRS TX Midland - 1/13 2130 - Fair. Nice KCRS ID, mention that "El Rushbo" has moved to 11AM to 2 PM on KCRS. Heard while waiting in drive-through at Braums Ice Cream in Rowlett! First time heard here. (WW-TX1)

550 KTSA TX San Antonio - 1/7 0755 - Fair, with 55 KTSA ID and a San Antonio traffic check. (RD-NE)

560 KBLU AZ Yuma - 1/11 0002 - With Michael Reagan Show into CNN News after ToH ID. This is rare for me, because of splash from KFYI, and KLZ interference. (KR-

570 KLIF TX Dallas - 1/11 0005 - With ID, talk about schedule and upcoming *Art Bell Show*. Weak, and unusual in that KLAC was not noted. In KNRS null. (KR-AZ)

590 KID ID Idaho Falls - 1/4 0200 - Over KUGN, with TOH ID. (DKK-CA)

590 KQNT WA Spokane - 1/4 2029 - With ID: *News Talk 590 KQNT*. Tricky, as my dominant KUGN uses the same slogan. (DKK-CA)

600 KCOL CO Wellington - 1/9 1803 - Poor, yet clear calls in behind WMT with ABC News. NEW! First new on 600 in seven years! (JJR-WI)

600 CJWW SK Saskatoon - 1/14 0845-0849 - Two ads, listener contest, weather, and country tune. Fair signal, in KSJB null, at 610 miles. Reception reported. (BM-SD)

620 KTAR AZ Phoenix - 1/11 1918 - Fair, with ad for Scottsdale Lexus: *Check out the ad in Sunday's Arizona Republic* . . . (RD-NE)

620 KTLK OR Portland - 1/11 0403:30 - With KTLK ID, while reading a promo during ToH news. ID at 0404:40, then more local news, sports, traffic and weather. Through KFRC 610 splatter. (DKK-CA)

630 KWRO OR Coquille - 1/9 1836 - Solid atop, with local ads and into *Lars Larsen Talk Show*. (DKK-CA)

660 KTNN AZ Window Rock - 1/15 0232-0245 - Poor, but atop WFAN for awhile, with trucker's show, Navistar News, CNN News, KTNN mention. No XEs to be found. Arizona #1! (EL-IL)

660 KGDP CA Orcutt - 1/11 0407 - Atop in KTNN null. Noted between KSTE-650 and KNBR-680 slop/splatter at 1455-1500 with talk. First time heard in the daytime. (DKK-CA)

660 WBHR MN Sauk Rapids - 1/17 1655-1701 - Fox Sports programming preceded and followed a ToH ID for *The Bear*. Poor signal, with QRM from KCRO and KEYZ. Reception reported. (BM-SD)

660 KAPS WA Mount Vernon - 1/9 1839 - Solid atop, with KAPS ID between C&W songs. Good signal. Again on 1/10 from 1928-1945 with C&W music. News 1930-1936 filled with local ads and promos. Several nice clear IDs. Toby Keith led off C&W at 1936. Took me ages to hear them now I can't get rid of them. (DKK-CA)

660 CFFR AB Calgary - 12/30 0807 - With oldies, in strong in KTNN null. (DKK-CA)

680 WOGO WI Hallie - 1/15 1706-1710 - PSA for *Leave a Legacy* program, ad for *Power Building Maintenance*, and *Garage Logic Show*. Fair signal in CJOB null. First time heard; reception reported. (BM-SD)

700 KWLW UT North Salt Lake City - 1/14 1030 - With classic C&W and IDs as *Classic Country AM 700*. Played *Walkin' Across Texas*, a classic. Strong signal for so late in the morning. (GJ-CA)

720 KFIR OR Sweet Home - 1/3 1929 - Alone atop, with *Tight Fittin' Jeans* by Conway Twitty. ID at 1930 and into local news. (DKK-CA)

730 KBSU ID Boise - 1/16 1707 - With a business report announcing Piper Jaffray and Boise Cascade stock tickers then into acoustic jazz. Pretty rare. (KR-AZ)

760 WJR MI Detroit - 12/30 0240 - With Midnight Cowboy Network, noted in KFMB null. Decent signal. With program *Profiles in Music* from 0735-0750 atop KFMB. 40s big band music. Lost to SS after 0750. This also on 12/30. Again on 1/5 at 0317 over KFMB and in strong with Midnight Cowboy Net. (DKK-CA)

790 KURM AR Rogers - 1/11 2106 - Exciting play-by-play of Rogers vs Northside high school basketball; Harrison and Rogers spots; *Kurm* slogans. CBS News occurred at 2214, just after the first half ended. Generally fair, over/under QRM. (JW-CO)

800 WVAL MN Sauk Rapids - 1/9 1756 - Poor, with calls after CBS Sports and ad. Alone with old C&W. (JJR-WI)

830 WFNO LA Norco - 1/14 0606 - Good, in Spanish, with Spanish pop music and *La Fabulosa* 830 slogans. (CR-IL)

860 KKOW KS Pittsburgh - 1/13 1859 - Baltimore - Miami NFL playoff game. Good. Full ID at 1904. (CR-IL)

880 KHAC NM Tse Bonito - 1/11 1907 - Good, with religious program *Family Life Today*. Heard again on 1/15 at 1859 with a weather forecast mentioning Gallup, then a *KHAC, Tse Bonito, New Mexico, 880 AM* ID and into the same program. (RD-NE)

WREU AM-FM
P. O. DRAWER 0
1000 MEMORIAL DRIVE
TIPPIN, GEORGIA 30224

920 KXLY WA Spokane - 1/15 0904 - Gal with area weather, PST TC, call ID. Fair signal. (JW-CO)

930 KLCY MT East Missoula - 1/15 0859 - Nice ID at 0859:52: *Keeping you entertained and informed, this is Clear Channel Communication's Classy 930 KLCY East Missoula.* Then ad for the *Family of Banks* at 0900, followed by *Paul Harvey News*. Fair signal and alone, with no sign of KRKY or KROE. (JW-CO)

930 CJCA AB Edmonton - 1/6 0320-0330+ - AM 930, *The Light* at 0320. CFAC added at 0325. Good signal over the frequency. (DKK-CA)

940 KWBY OR Woodburn - 12/30 0247 - With nice signal in KWRU null. Dance music in Spanish. Clear ID in accented EE 0300. (DKK-CA)

940 KNNZ UT Cedar City - 1/7 1900-1930 - Mixing with KICE; both had wiped KWRU out of the picture. (DKK-CA)

940 CINW QC Montreal - 1/15 2326 - Fair, with splash from WNTD-950. Bloomberg Business report. *Business reports at 26 and 56 on 940 News.* (TR-IL)

960 KZIM MO Cape Girardeau - 1/13 2030 - Call ID, talk show *Beyond the Beltway*. (JTR-OK)

960 WTCH WI Shawano - 1/13 1845 - Good, with C&W music, ads and *WTCH Country AM 960* ID. (CR-IL)

970 KCFO OK Tulsa - 1/13 1809-1812 - Christian country tune, comments by female announcer, and insurance ad. Fair signal, in WDAY null at 610 miles. First time heard with sufficient info to report reception. Web site and slogan: *Christian Talk Radio for northeast Oklahoma and southeast Kansas.* (BM-SD)

990 WLJZ NY Rochester - 1/13 0738 - Fair, with short jingle after two ads. CBW nulled. NOS. (JJR-WI)

1010 KXEM AZ Tolleson - 1/10 0930 - Short segments of area news, business news, local spots, AP News updates, traffic, weather, etc. Good on peaks, mixing with KSIR until 0945, when KSIR powered up. (JW-CO)

1020 WJEP GA Ochlocknee - 1/15 0733 - Weak in KDKA null, with local spots and PSAs. (EL-IL)

1030 KCTA TX Corpus Christi - 1/12 0755 - With L. Vernon McGee preaching and then ToH ID very solid and clear. Easily topping KTWO. (KR-AZ)

1060 KKDS UT South Salt Lake City - 1/7 1915 - Nicely atop, with weather, traffic, ads and ID. This followed the song *Candy Man*. (DKK-CA)

1070 KRAM OR West Klamath - 1/6 0929 - On top of, and mixing with KNX until 0948. Playing NOS music. Good signal. (GJ-CA) [Station is listed as "Silent" in AM Radio Log, so must have just returned to the air! - Ed.]

1080 KRPX UT Price - 1/7 1916 - Cutting through QRM with lengthy ID, then into oldies music. (DKK-CA)

1090 KMXA CO Aurora - 1/5 0215-0345+ - Noted in XEPRS null, with SS music format. *Radio Tricolor* and *Mexicanissima* slogans noted when signal would rise up. At 0330: *Musica Mexicana* and at 0344 another Radio Tricolor slogan. (DKK-CA)

1100 KNZZ CO Grand Junction - 1/12 0906 - Alone and in the clear, with ABC News, ID and then an ad for Rocky Mountain Building Connection. Program following was *The Horsemen's Radio Weekly*. No sign of local infomercial broadcaster, KFNX. (KR-AZ)

1100 KDRY TX Alamo Heights - 1/11 2100 - Religious talk, call ID. Weak and fading in phase null of WTAM. (JTR-OK)

1110 WCKO VA Norfolk - 1/13 0645 - Fair in fade up over unID SS. *WCKO AM 1110 - The Power Station*. Urban gospel. Thought I had this logged (as WZAM) but didn't. NEW! (JJR-WI)

1130 KSDO CA San Diego - 1/4 2101 - With ID atop jumble. (DKK-CA)

1150 CJRC QC Gatineau - 1/14 0645 - Fair, but suffering from WYLL slop. News program in French language. (CR-IL)

1180 KOFI MT Kalispell - 12/29 1958 - With rock music program. ID at 2000, then the song *Wooly Bully*. KERI off. (DKK-CA)

1180 WHAM NY Rochester - 1/11 0700 - Talk with *Wham* ID. Fair, in phase null of QRM from numerous stations. (JTR-OK)

1230 WBBZ OK Ponca City - 1/16 1921 - Atop, with WBBZ ID. Heard again at 2040 with weather: *Thirty-six degrees in Ponca City*. Mixing with an unID carrying University of Arkansas basketball. (RD-NE)

WNBT AM & FM

1230 KWSN SD Sioux Falls - 1/12 1814 - Basketball play-by-play of Bulldogs vs Cougars - don't know if this was college or high school. A time out was called at 1819. . . here on Sports Radio KWSN, then a local spot. Fair for a while, until other stuff started fading in at sunset. A new one here, South Dakota #28. (JW-CO)

1250 KHIL AZ Wilcox - 1/10 2035 - Classic Country K-Hill with call ID. Playing C&W oldies. New here. (JTR-OK)

1250 KBRF MN Fergus Falls - 1/14 1929 - Out of talk and into ID at 1929:52: *Good Neighbor Radio seroing western Minnesota and the eastern Dakotas, 1250 AM KBRF Fergus Falls*, followed by CNN News. Fair. (JW-CO)

1260 KTTFP MO Springfield - 1/12 1959 - Non-ID as *The Place to be when you want (news?)* . . . *the News Station*. AP News at 2000. Area news . . . *from the award-winning KTTS 24-hour news center, here's what's happening at 2005*. They apparently use KTTS as a slogan of sorts, although they have supposedly / "officially" changed to KTTF. This is probably my unID of November 18. (JW-CO)

1280 WGBF IN Evansville - 1/13 1955 - Eagles/USI basketball. Weak, on top of a mush pile. Faded up enough to catch an ID at 2000, then commercial, and back to game. (DZ-WI)

1290 KWFS TX Wichita Falls - 1/14 0750+ - Poor, but readable, with announcer with Texoma drawl with local mentions including Montague (pronounced Mon-tag') County. Legal ID at 0800 followed by Texas State Network News, then local weather and a CL ID. Only 109 miles, but never heard before at home. May have been on day power early. Maybe not. [Ed.-TX]

1290 KWFS TX Wichita Falls - 1/14 1945 - With *Michael Reagan Show*. At 1955 guy says *Join us on your way home for all the news from News Center 3, live at 5 on News Talk 1290 KWFS*. Generally fair. (JW-CO)

1300 WNQM TN Nashville - 1/7 0700 - Religious talk, location was Nashville. Weak and fading into noise level. (JTR-OK)

1300 KKUB TX Brownfield - 1/15 2024 - Play-by-play of girls basketball, Lady Cubs vs ?? . Brownfield ads. Heard later at 2235 with another game, Mustangs vs ?? Game ended at 2240, followed by a long string of Brownfield ads, enough for a good report. Fair-to-poor, mixing with KUBL and two XEs; all fair-to-poor. (JW-CO)

1320 KYHN AR Ft. Smith - 1/6 2100 - David Horowitz Talk Back. Under/over gospel music station. (JTR-OK)

1330 KWKW CA Los Angeles - 1/16 0600 - Fighting it out with *Tucson's Jolt*, KJLL. A woman was trying in SS to get a talk show going and she was droning on and on-and-on. Finally, I eked out a ToH ID with a male with a heavy Mexican accent giving the announcement. Number 625, new. (KR-AZ)

1360 WCKY OH Cincinnati - 1/5 2105 - Cincinnati Cyclones hockey game on *Sports Animal* network. (JTR-OK)

1400 KLBB MN St. Paul - 1/14 1656-1705 - *All the Way*, fade-out, fade-in during *The Impossible Dream*. Another song, and male announcer with KLBB. Tough copy; 360 miles at 1000 watts. Reception reported. (BM-SD)

1400 KWON OK Bartlesville - 1/12 0711 - Fair, with promo for getting birthday announcements on KWON, giving out the same phone number as what's listed in the NRC Log. (RD-NE)

1420 WVJS KY Owensboro - 1/13 1959 - Fair, with song *Save the Last Dance For Me* and ID as . . . *Your station for great songs and great memories, WVJS, Owensboro*. Only Kentucky #2 here. Bet no one can guess what #1 was! (MS-MB) [Duh - Ed.]

1420 KTOE MN Mankato - 1/4 2045 - Sports talk with Mankato teams. Fading and looping N-S with QRM from WOC. (JTR-OK)

1420 KITI WA Chehalis - 1/2 2050 - Solidly atop, with slogan *Power Oldies*. This is a similar slogan as used by KSTN-1420. (DKK-CA)

1430 KEZW CO Aurora - 1/12 0950 - With a garden show and ID. Fighting it out with an unID with a automotive repair program. (KR-AZ)

1440 WGEM IL Quincy - 1/4 0715 - Weak and fading, with farm news and prices. (JTR-OK)

1450 KBBS WY Buffalo - 1/11 0836 - Fair, with local news, talk about an event at South Big Horn Community Center with times and ticket prices and mentioning that entertainment would be provided by the Big Horn High School Band, then into agricultural news with ad for crop protection insurance. (MS-MB)

- 1480 WJBM IL Jerseyville - 1/13 1955 - Fair, with ad mentioning Jerseyville, list of program highlights including Paul Harvey... on WJBM and into oldie *Everybody Loves Somebody*. (MS-MB)
- 1480 WTOY VA Salem - 1/8 2143 - Fair, in fade up over others. No usual WHBC. Old R&B. (JJR-WD)
- 1490 KWAC CA Bakersfield - 1/7 0238-0245 - With woman in EE giving church services, times and locations for churches in the South San Joaquin Valley. (DKK-CA)
- 1540 WECZ PA Punxsutawney - 1/13 0750 - Poor signal, with clear ID, under KXEL. NEW. (SA-MB)
- 1550 WMRE WV Charles Town - 1/14 0135 - On top for a few minutes with oldies, WMRE and *Tri-State* mentions. Probably a bit above 6 Watt listed night power. (KDF-IL)
- 1580 WLIJ TN Shelbyville - 1/14 0735 - Good, with C&W music and *Trading Post*, ID. (CR-IL)
- 1600 KATZ MO St. Louis - 1/11 0943-0947 - *All-gospel-all-the-time* format with traffic report by female announcer between songs. Best signal ever heard from them at 660 miles. Reception reported. (BM-SD)
- 1620 KBLI ID Blackfoot - 1/15 0949 - SS vocals, with no announcements. At 1000 news from *Canal Continental*, with an "ID" for member station KXEQ-1340 at 1002; at 1005 a *Mexicanisimo* slogan was followed by more music. A *Radio Fiesta* slogan was noted at 1015. This is exactly what KICN-1260 used to carry at this time. They are supposedly changing calls to KZNI, so apparently the SS format has moved to 1620. Good signal. No ID, but KBLI usually dominates 1620 here during the post-sunrise period. (JW-CO)
- 1620 WDND IN South Bend - 1/12 0038 - Fair, in WTAW null, with ESPN // with local 103.3 FM into *Sports Center* and *WDND Radio* mention. Phasing with KOZN. Indiana #2. (WW-TX)
- 1620 KOZN NE Bellevue - 1/12 0041 - ESPN feed // with WDND, with just enough delay between the two for a nifty "digital reverb" effect. Spot for *Music Box* in Omaha, KOZN ID. (WW-TX)
- 1620 WTAW TX College Station - 1/12 0033 - Fair, with promo for Neal Boortz, WTAW mention into Dr. Dean Edell. (WW-TX)
- 1630 KCJJ IA Iowa City - 1/12 0052 - Poor tonight; weaker than usual. *Number One in High School Sports*, 1630 KCJJ liner. (WW-TX)
- 1630 KKWY WY Fox Farm - 1/12 0053 - Fair, and better than KCJJ, with Waylon Jennings into Tammy Wynette into Juice Newton. Full legal ID to ABC News. Wyoming #2. (WW-TX)
- 1630 KKWY WY Cheyenne - 1/14 0536 - Poor, under KCJJ, with country music and KWY mentions. (CR-IL)
- 1640 KBJA UT Sandy - 1/12 0116 - Poor, but steady, with Christian-themed music. Check back later (0158) netted KBJA ID into SRN News. American Airlines DFW TIS station barely audible this morning. Utah #2. (WW-TX)
- 1650 KBJD CO Denver - 1/12 0129 - Poor, with call letters, during pause in another station [Probably station in your next item - Ed.] carrying Art Bell. (WW-TX)
- 1650 KWHN AR Fayetteville - 1/12 0130 - Good, with promo for Monday morning news show, Ark-La-Homa weather, *News Talk 1650 KWHN* mentions, then back to Art Bell. (WW-TX)
- 1660 KXTR KS Kansas City - 1/12 0133 - Good, with classical music. (WW-TX)
- 1670 WTDY WI Madison - 1/12 0147 - Fair and steady. WTDY mention with spots for Smart Motors and Maloney Tile, then *John and Jeff Show*. Wisconsin #1! (WW-TX)
- 1680 WTIR FL Winter Garden - 1/13 0040 - Fair, steady signal. *20 the hour* time check. *Stay tuned Travel and Information radio*, AM 1680. Florida #2. (WW-TX)
- 1690 KDDZ CO Arvada - 1/12 0155 - Poor, with *The Denver Broncos* and *Radio Disney Rocks Denver* liner. (WW-TX)

GRAVEYARD DX UPDATE

* indicates record held by DXER from North America (excluding Alaska)

1400 kHz:	Miles
KWLA LA Many Tim Hall Houston, TX	167
1450 kHz:	Miles
KVSL AZ Show Low Tim Hall Chula Vista, CA	421



Totals:	1230	1240	1340	1400	1450	1490	Total
Rick Dau Iowa City, IA	7	6	10	8	8	9	48
Rick Dau Omaha, NE	5	2	3	3	3	1	17

Remember all the GY DX records are on line at: www.angelfire.com/tx2/phantom2/index.html

DDXD-East

It's prime DX season here in the east and the loggings are coming in fast and furious! A reminder that the deadline for DDXD-E submissions is 9:00 Wednesday morning; anything received after that time will go into the next issue. Happy DXing!

G. Harley DeLeurere writes: "I need information concerning the call sign for the Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge TIS on 1610 kHz." Anyone know this one?

REPORTERS

- RA-MA Ray Arruda, Acushnet - R8A, 80 meter dipole.
- MB-NJ Mike Battaglino, Madison - Drake R8B, Timewave DSP-599zx, Quantum QX loop, Quantum Phaser, 250' backyard wire, MFJ-956 preselector/tuner.
- PLB-MI Phil Boersma, Spring Lake - Station News.
- MKB-ON Mike Brooker, Toronto - Panasonics RF-2200; RFB-45.
- SC-IN Steve Chappell, McCordsville - Bearcat DX-1000, 3 terminated loops.
- BC-NH Bruce Conti, Nashua - R8B, MWDX-5, 50/75/50-ft Ewe antennas east and southwest.
- GHD-WV G. Harley DeLeurere, Hendricks - Address and Telephone Changes.
- MD-MA Marc DeLorenzo, Auburndale - JRC NRD-525 & Quantum Loop.
- RJE-PA Russ Edmunds, Blue Bell - car radio & whip.
- SF-TN Steve Francis, Alcoa - Realistic TRF and Select-a-Tenna.
- DH-NJ David Hochfelder, New Brunswick - SONY ICF-2010 with Kiwa Pocket Loop.
- DBJ-PA David Jansky, Sunbury - CC Radio with Radio Shack Loop.
- KVJ-GA Karl V. Jeter, Lawrenceville - HQ-150, 12-655 TRF, Quantum Loop, KIWA MW Loop.
- RJ-NC Russ Johnson, Lexington - GE Superadio 2, Realistic TRF 12-656, Palstar R-30, Panasonic RF-508 phased longwires with Quantum Phaser.
- RWK-CT Rick Kenneally, Wilton - 2 SONY 2010s, 1100' South Beverage, 300' Longwire, Quantum Phaser, Quantum QX Loop.
- DL*MD Dave Larabee, Columbia - ICOM R8500, random wire or loop.
- DL-MD Dave Larabee, Columbia - Automated recording at the bottom and top of the hour using a random wire & a TenTec RX320 with KF50J software.
- GL-NY Ginnie Lupi, Clifton Park - Address Changes.
- HN-GA Herbert Newberry, Newborn - Kenwood R-5000, 150' N/S wire, 150' E/W wire.
- RCP-IN Robert Pote, Greenwood - Drake R8A receiver and Kiwa Loop.
- RKS-NJ Rick Shaftan, Sparta - Hammarlund HQ-180, 2 longwires, MFJ-1026, Quantum QX Loop, Kiwa Loop.
- BT-NB Brent Taylor, Doaktown - R390A/URR, TS-6805, FRG-7, Home-made 4' wire loop.
- PEW-SC Powell E. Way, Gilbert - Hallicrafters SX-110, 200' wire.

STATION NEWS

- 780 WTME ME Rumford - Ex-790. Heard on car radio in Barnstable, MA 1/5 1610-1625 with CNN News. During local breaks used slogan "AM-1240" and ran ads for businesses in Lewiston and Auburn, ME - obviously simulcasting WCNM-1240 Lewiston. Per info from Chernos and Fybush on NRC reflector, they changed frequency on 12/24/01 and are 10,000/18 U1. Heard again on car radio in West Yarmouth, MA 1/6 1015-1025 with CNN News. (MD-MA)
- 1050 WKSB PA Williamsport - New call, ex-WLYC. A Clear Channel station. (DBJ-PA)
- 1480 WISL PA Shamokin - Has been silent since early December. I phoned and no one answered. Had an oldies format off of satellite. WISL-FM survives but now has a C & W format. (DBJ-PA)
- 1550 WSHN MI Fremont - Back on the air on 1/7 after 6 weeks off. Noted with country music // to WSHN-FM 100.1. Ex news/talk format. (PLB-MI)

ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE CHANGES

910 WABI ME Bangor – 12 Acme Road, Suite 207, Brewer, ME 04412. (GL-NY)
 940 WFGI PA Charleroi – 123 Blaine Road, Brownsville, PA 15417. 724-938-2000. (GHD-WV)
 950 WVTS WV Charleston – PO Box 871, 25323-0871. (GHD-WV)
 970 WBGG PA Pittsburgh – 200 Fleet Street, 4th Floor, 15220. (GHD-WV)
 1050 WFOG VA Norfolk – 5589 Greenwich Road, Suite 200, Virginia Beach, VA 23462. 757-671-1000. (GHD-WV)
 1080 WWNL PA Pittsburgh – 412-338-1080. (GHD-WV)
 1110 WCKO VA Norfolk – PO Box 661, 23501. 757-493-9919. (GHD-WV)
 1240 WGCV VA Petersburg – 804-717-2000. (GHD-WV)
 1340 WVCV VA Orange – PO Box 271, 22960. (GHD-WV)
 1370 WVLY WV Moundsville – 98 Sixteenth Street, Wheeling, WV 26003-3676. 304-233-9859. (GHD-WV)
 1380 WBTK VA Richmond – 9401 Courthouse Road, Suite 307, Chesterfield, VA 23832. 804-706-6729. (GHD-WV)
 1420 WCLV OH Cleveland – 26501 Renaissance Parkway, 44128. 216-464-0900. (GHD-WV)

DX TEST

970 WRCS NC Ahoskie – 1/12 0000 – DX Test heard over local WWDJ and WBGG with code bursts at 0005, 0007, 0009. 0011, 0015, 0019, 0021. Code carried over dueling signals loudly at times. (MB-NJ)
 + 1/12 0000 – mostly buried under pest WNED with BBC World Service programs, but heard WRCS code IDs (— .- .- .- .-) at 0021 and 0032 and other bits of code that I couldn't copy because of poor reception and even poorer code-copying skills. (MKB-ON)
 + 1/12 0000 – poor to fair with two-tone (high and low) Morse ID's under strong local WWDJ. All I copied was "test test test de wrcs wrcs wrcs 970." Thanks to Bob Carter for putting the test and allowing us to catch this daytime. New. (DH-NJ)
 + 1/12 0000 I tried for the test, weak code heard at about 0010. Then stronger code heard about 0030. Much noise and WWIT-970 heard throughout the test. (RCP-IN)
 + 1/12 0004 - tones only noted in a varying frequencies (ie, several minutes of high, then low). Fair/good signal; no other audio noted. (KVJ-GA)
 + 1/12 0004 - Code IDs in alternating high and low pitches at varying lengths, but no longer than one minute fair with WZAN/WWDJ. No voice or music noted, only continuous Code. (RA-MA)
 + 1/12 0004 - Code ID's easily penetrating weakish jumble of WBGG/WWDJ/WZAN. No voice or music noted. First time heard. (MD-MA)
 + 1/12 0005 - Morse Code Ids starting @ 0005. (RKS-NJ)
 + 1/12 0005 - Fair with nonstop code IDs at both high and low pitches. Under WBGG with WGTK nulled. (SF-TN)

UNID, UNID HELP, PRESUMED AND CORRECTIONS

620 WDAEp FL St. Petersburg – Fox sports news update (college basketball scores). 20 over S9 best on N/S wire. (HN-GA)
 680 UNID — — - 1/14 1755 - w/ Kingston Trio's "Tom Dooley", which had been preceded by something else of similar vintage, then directly into CBS News without announcement. Might this be WDBC-MI? (RJE-PA)
 680 UNID — — - 1/16 0625 - heard what sounded like French under WPTF, leading me to suspect CHFA, which I'd love to log. A few moments later it sounded more like Chinese, which might suggest WNZK-MI, if they run Chinese. On weak ones in the mud, I've previously observed some similarities in inflections between the two languages. Intriguing possibilities here! (RJE-PA)
 750 UNID — — - 1/14 1722 - 1940's-50's jazz briefly atop, strong. No announcements heard. Totally gone after 1730. (RJE-PA)
 810 UNID — — - 1/1 1714 - Gospel mx. (RKS-NJ)
 UNID — — - 1/1 1740 - Football, not WHB. (RKS-NJ)
 990 KWAMP TN Memphis – 1/10 1649 – gospel music than 2-minute commercial for ABC-24.

1010 WGUNp GA Presume it's Memphis. (PEW-SC)
 Atlanta - 12/29 0800 - Presumed to be the one in good in WINS null with ads mentioning phones 800-864-7275 (GA Dept. of Recreation) and 770-785-9990 (Cars for Christ). (RKS-NJ)
 UNID — — - 1/1 1655 - Religion, pattern chg. @ 1700. (RKS-NJ)
 1040 CJMSP PQ St. Constant - 1/14 1850 - Country, FF. Faded by the time I found the Internet parallel. Also a loud Spanish station that is probably a relog of NC. (RKS-NJ)
 1090 UNID — — - 12/28 2358 - Mexican mx. (RKS-NJ)
 KMXAp CO Aurora - 1/5 0455 - Tentative; Mexican norteña/banda/ranchera music mix under WBAL, lost at WHGG sign-on. (BC-NH)
 1200 CFGOp ON Ottawa - 01/07 1650 - Several "Sports Radio 1200 the team" ID's heard followed by an Arby's Roast Beef ad" Fair and steady signal. (RCP-IN)
 1210 WJZZp MI Kingsley - 01/01 1713 - Male and female hosts of a drive time talk show. Talking about gun safety and Michigan gun laws. Followed by a short interview with Michigan's governor. First time heard. Fair to good signal with deep fades. All alone on the channel. (RCP-IN)
 1400 UNID — — - 1/2 1924 - Clark Howard show. (RKS-NJ)
 1460 UNID — — - 12/29 1656 - "If you like what you're hearing, tell a friend, AM 1460"; "Bridge Over Troubled Water". (RKS-NJ)
 UNID — — - 12/29 1717 - "17 Minutes past the hour on the news station." (RKS-NJ)
 1480 UNID — — - 12/26 2000 – Korean language. EE ID at 2000: "This is KFOX 1650 Torrence", then back to Korean programming. A good signal for about 20 minutes. (DBJ-PA)
 WGVUp MI Kentwood - 1/10 0745 - oldies "I Feel Good", James Brown, slogan, "K-W-M, The Oldies Station" Can't find a match on this (KVJ-GA) Editor's Note: WKWM-1140, Kentwood, MI, uses this slogan. This must have been a //broadcast.
 1690 KDDZp CO Arvada - 1/14 0016 - Radio Disney //1560. (RKS-NJ)

STATION LOGGINGS

550 WDEV VT Waterbury - 12/21 1525 - In very good & alone with local ads for stores in Stowe, local Union Bank, a spot for the WDEV Weatherphone, & "Come Dancing" by the Kinks. Surprise at 3:30 PM. (RWK-CT)
 + 1/5 0630 - Fair; promo for local hockey coverage, "FM 96.1 and AM 550 WDEV" in WDDZ null. (BC-NH)
 KFYR ND Bismark - 12/29 0700 - Fair with end of Smashmouth song then DJ: "... 5-50 KFYR Bismark. Good morning - it's 6:00. Lite snow and nine degrees..." then into ABC news. First ND from here. (RWK-CT)
 KTRS MO St. Louis - 12/30 1800 - Very good signal with what sounded like end of rock ballad that I didn't recognize, then long ad for Country Manor Health Center, then very brief, rushed "KTRS St. Louis" ID & ABC News. WGR underneath. New. (RWK-CT)
 WAYR FL Orange Park - 12/25 1830 - "with the power of Christmas on WAYR Orange Park." (RKS-NJ)
 560 WCKL NY Catskill - 12/22 1000 - On top with "Deck the Halls" then "WCKL Catskill" song ID then CNN News. New. (RWK-CT)
 590 WLVA VA Lynchburg – 12/31 1715 – Ids as "WLVA The River". Good for a while and then faded. (DBJ-PA)
 + 1/7 2220-2250 – Thanks again to the DX Tip list for this one! NOS music (Fifth Dimension—I guess they're really not NOS! — and "On the Street Where You Live"—now that's NOS!) and a handful of "you're listening to WLVA, 5-90, The River" IDs. Stable signal, held up well against usual pest WARM as well as Cuba on this evening. (MB-NJ)
 WVLK KY Lexington – 1/1 1712 – ID, sports call-in show, ad for Wall Street Journal. (DBJ-PA)
 600 WCAO MD Baltimore - 1/3/02 1800 - GOS "This is Clear Channel Communications, WCAO Baltimore, Full Gospel Radio, Heaven Six Hundred". (DL-MD)
 610 WSLC VA Roanoke - 1/14 1745 - Country u/WIP. "Play Me Some Mountain Music" followed by WSLC calls @ approx. 1750. Out by 1800. Late pattern change. (RKS-NJ)

640 **CFYI ON** **Richmond Hill** - 1/10 0404 - Very weak: ID'd as "Mojo Radio AM 640 and Sports Net Ontario" with NHL Hockey scores and references to mojouradio.com and Toronto. But still don't know—what is a Mojo? (SC-IN)

660 **WFAN NY** **New York** - 1/1/02 0500 - SPT "Imus in the morning, on the fan, Sports Radio sixty six, WFAN. The Flag Ship Station for New York Sports, it's the FAN. Sports Radio sixty six WFAN New York, an Infinity Station, WFAN 20-20 Sports." (DL-MD)

670 **WIEZ PA** **Lewiston** - 1/1 1200 - Weak with woman reading local news & weather, then "You're listening to the news & information station, WIEZ Lewiston AM 6-70". ABC News. New. (RWK-CT)
+ 1/2 1640 - Dr. Dean Edell program in progress with ads heard for "Joint Action" and "Alka Seltzer heartburn relief." Followed by a voice saying "you're listening to Dr. Dean Edell on WIEZ". Fair to good signal over and under WSCR. (RCP-IN)

WSCR IL **Chicago** - 1/4 1700 - "During our tenth anniversary, spanning two centuries of sports radio, this is the Score, the fifty thousand watt voice of the... WSCR Chicago USA, an Infinity Broadcasting Station", followed by "Score Board Update". (DL-MD)

680 **WCNN GA** **N. Atlanta** - ID, "WCNN, the Fan" amazingly on top of slop. No sign of WRKO or WPTF. 10 over S9 on E/W wire, dominant. Good job with 10 kw night power. (HN-GA)

WCAW WV **Charleston** - 1/14 1725 - oldies, weather, ID. Rare here. (RJE-PA)

690 **WTIX LA** **New Orleans** - 12/16 2254 - Many promos for talk shows on "the mighty 690 WTIX." Financial talk show in progress. Steady S9 signal, best on E/W wire. New! (HN-GA)

WJOX AL **Birmingham** - 1/3 0500 - Good mixing with WOKV-FL with traffic, ads, "Over a decade of being Birmingham's only sports station - Sportsradio 6-90 WJOX Birmingham" then report from race course. New. (RWK-CT)

WOKV FL **Jacksonville** - 1/11 0030 - Noted with 50 kw power. 20 over S9 on both wires, solid, almost blasting in! Equally good, less background noise on E/W wire. (HN-GA)

WELD WV **Fisher** - 1/14 1712 - atop WOKV w/ C&W, female announcer doing local weather, then live male announcer with full s/off announcement. This has been on my target list for 5+ years and shouldn't have been this difficult. (RJE-PA)

720 **CHTN PEI** **Charlottetown** - 1/13 0514 - Oldie song "Age of Aquarius" was just ending followed by "Your station for good time oldies, CHTN" followed by several more oldies back to back then another ID at 0521. "Classic Goodtime Oldies, CHTN". Very very good signal in a subdued WGN null. (RCP-IN)

760 **WVNE MA** **Leicester** - 12/31 1100 - Good & alone - never logged this before. End of religious program, then local announcer giving time, New Year's wishes, weather by meteorologist, then ID with "Life-changing Radio" in Leicester/Worcester. WJR audible underneath. (RWK-CT)

780 **WZZX AL** **Lineville** - 12/22 1920- C&W music. Hooked on Phonics ad. Syndicated "Real Country ID." Local weather with mention of Alabama. (RJ-NC)

WTME ME **Rumford** - 1/9 1100 - Religious program and "1240 WCNM Lewiston, 1450 WKTQ South Paris, and 780 WTME Rumford" into USA news, heard later in the afternoon with Rush Limbaugh and promos for religious programs. (BC-NH)

WWOL NC **Forest City** - 1/10 1635 - hit this just in time for an ID. (PEW-SC)

790 **WAEB PA** **Allentown** - 1/8 0834 - overcoming nulled CIGM with ad for Blue Cross of Eastern Pennsylvania, slogan "traffic and weather together on News radio WAEB" into traffic report. (Well, duh, what did ya expect? _) (MKB-ON)

CIGM ON **Sudbury** - 0614 1/11 - C&W format - "You're listening to today's country, 790-CIGM." (RJ-NC)

810 **WHB MO** **Kansas City** - 12/29 0448 - Promos for sports programs on "Sports 810 WHB, Kansas City." ESPN format, 10 over S9 on N/S wire. Moderate het noted on channel, but WHB stayed on top. New! (HN-GA)

WPIN VA **Dublin** - 1/14 1643 - ID "810 WPIN", Popeye the Sailor Man, Jetson's Theme, Beverly Hillbillies Theme. "Your Positive Information Station 810 WPIN." Themes from Green Acres, Mr. Ed, and Gilligan's Island. (RKS-NJ)

820 **WBAP TX** **Fort Worth** - 1/6 0440 - Fair; Midnight Cowboy Truckin' Network talk in WNYC/CHAM null. (BC-NH)
+ 1/11 0037 - Noted a low-pitched buzz on channel, not powerline noise, but not a het in the usual sense. WBAP in back of noise with Mike Gallagher syndicated talk. S9 both wires. (HN-GA)

WMGG FL **Largo** - 1/11 0811 - SS Music. ID as "La Mega - Ocho Vente." (RJ-NC)

850 **KOA CO** **Denver** - 1/4 2243 - // Internet which was 20 seconds behind, with talk about Columbine. (RKS-NJ)

WYDE AL **Birmingham** - 1/7 1735 - "Y-Talk 850 WYDE" on top. (RKS-NJ)

870 **WHCU NY** **Ithaca** - 1/04 1658 - Male voice said "Two minutes before the hour here on WHCU". Heard briefly in WKAR and WWL mix. (RCP-IN)

890 **WKNV VA** **Fairlawn** - 1/1 1728 - Sign off: female: "Eight ninety AM now ends its broadcast day. Join us tomorrow morning for today's best Southern Gospel Music on WKND Fairlawn. Have a great evening and god bless." Male: "With more of today's Southern Gospel we are Joy AM, WKND Fairlawn", followed by music which stopped abruptly, then dead air. Been watching this for a couple of days. Very seldom IDs on the hour. (DL-MD)

WFKJ PA **Cashtown** - 1/2 0858 - "WFKJ, eight ninety AM in Cashtown, Christian radio for the entire family." (DL-MD)

900 **WLSI KY** **Pikeville** - 12/26 2200 - A surprise up out of mush with end of song, then recorded ID by man with heavy drawl "You're old friend, AM 900 WLSI Pikeville, Kentucky" then into "I Never Promised You a Rose Garden". I assume they were on day power. New. (RWK-CT)
+ 01/11 0638 - "You're listening to your only station in Eastern Kentucky for ????? - Your old friend, WKSI." (RJ-NC)

CKTS PQ **Sherbrooke** - 1/14 1837 - CJAD Ids and Weather. "CJAD News Time is 6:36" (RKS-NJ)

910 **WABI ME** **Bangor** - 12/25 0147 - On top here w/Christmas mx and WABI ID @0149 and 0152. (RKS-NJ)

960 **WERC AL** **Birmingham** - 1/11 0042 - Promo for "Newstalk 960 WERC". Bill Hendry talk show. 20 over S9 on both wires, no sign of semi-local WRFC. Good signal for 5 kw. (HN-GA)

970 **WAMD MD** **Aberdeen** - 12/26 0740 - "on the Outer Loop of I-95.that's the traffic on WAMD." (RKS-NJ)

WJMX SC **Florence** - 12/27 1707 - "This is South Carolina's Talk Show with your host, Andy Thomas." (RKS-NJ)

990 **WDYZ FL** **Orlando** - an UNID station went to dead air and WDYZ faded up and gave an ID. (PEW-SC)

1000 **WCMX MA** **Leominster** - 12/26 1701 - Your Radio Station, WCMX, your complete Christian." Then into news and ad for Tortured for Christ. Sunset should be 1615 for this one. (RKS-NJ)

KTOK OK **Oklahoma City** - 1/03 1704 - KTOK station ID heard followed by lady reporter giving the local Oklahoma City news. Followed by a promo by a Pastor saying that KTOK carries his churches service every Sunday on radio 1000. Good to fair signal in partial WMVP null. (RCP-IN)

1030 **KFAY AR** **Farmington** - 1/03 1700 - A male voice said "remember you heard it on KFAY AM 1030". Then into ABC News at the top of the hour. Fair signal in WBZ null. (RCP-IN)

1040 **WZSK PA** **Everett** - 12/22 1430 - Very good with "How wWas I to Know" then an FM 104.3 WSKE (or similar) ID, then another C&W song. Later, ads for businesses in Martinsburg & Bedford PA. New. (RWK-CT)


WYSL NY **Avon** - 12/22 1430 - Buried under WZSK with unintelligible talk, then a clear spot by man with many "News 10-40 WYSL" mentions. Eventually overtaken by WJHR-NJ. New. (RWK-CT)

WHO IA **Des Moines** - 1/11 0045 - Normally 10 or 20 over S9, noted only with S9 level on top of S9 slop. Barely heard. Technical problems? (HN-GA)

1050 **WPLC MD** **Silver Spring** - 1/5 0600 - "Radio Capital WKTL Alexandria Virginia." An ID for WPLC may have been buried in the mix but it was difficult to tell. (DL-MD)

WSMG MD **Oakland** - 1/09 1700 - Station ID heard at the top of the hour "this is 1050 WSMG Oakland MD". Briefly heard in CHUM and WTSJ mix. First time

- heard. (RCP-IN)
- 1060 **WKQG GA** **Milledgeville** - 01/11 0840 - Georgia News Network. Story about plane returning to Hartsfield airport. Song "Harper Valley PTA." "Great oldies on Q-Country." (RJ-NC)
- 1070 **WNCT NC** **Greenville** - 1/6 0500 - Fair; call letter ID, "Exitos" slogan, and Mexican music, over CHOK and unID stations in CBA null. (BC-NH)
- WFLI TN** **Lookout Mountain** - 1/6 0830 - Good; religious program from Cleveland, Tennessee, "1070 WFLI, keeping you informed of the message of God and area events," road closings and weather. (BC-NH)
- 1090 **WJKM TN** **Hartsville** - 12/28 2345 - On late, very weak w/Country // Internet (RKS-NJ)
- WCZZ SC** **Greenwood** - 12/29 0745 - Fair but alone with Orbison's "Only the Lonely", DJ with WCZZ "Good Time Oldies" & other chatter, then ads including "Greenwood Daewoo". Faded out as morning progressed. New. (RWK-CT)
- WHGG TN** **Kingsport** - 1/5 0600 - Sign-on with national anthem, "You're listening to Power Talk for the tri-state," over an unID Mexican music station in WBAL null. (BC-NH)
- 1110 **WNNW NH** **Salem** - 12/27 0000 - Thought I had an LA mixing with WBT, but song cut short by quick recorded ID in English "WNNW 11-10 Salem-Lawrence" then excited SS talk & more music. Assumed on PSA. New. (RWK-CT)
- WSFW NY** **Seneca Falls** - 12/28 1700 - Mixing with WTBQ-NY & WPMZ-RI with ad from Canadaigua, news story about Auburn City Council, Finger lakes News Network ID and ABC news. Better an hour later, with full // IDs. New. (RWK-CT)
- 1140 **KCXL MO** **Liberty** - 1/13 0742 - Fair with all about horses program *The Horseman's Radio Weekly*, "KCXL Liberty AM 1140" during the show and some yodeling. (SC-IN)
- KSOO SD** **Sioux Falls** - 1/14 1739 - Good signal with talk: "You're listening to Viewpoint University 1140 KSOO *The Talk of Sioux Falls*". (SC-IN)
- KYOK TX** **Conroe** - 1/14 1830 - Gospel song into sign-off: "1140 KYOK concludes another regular scheduled broadcast day. KYOK is a communications service of Martin Broadcasting. We invite you to join us tomorrow for the very best in Gospel programming, this is Gospel 1140 KYOK". No SSB. (SC-IN)
- 1150 **WGBR NC** **Goldsboro** - 12/23 0000 - Poor, mostly under WDEL-DE with network "troubleshooter" talk show, then 2 beeps at the break then recorded ID by man: "11-50 WGBR Goldsboro, a publicly owned & operated ?? media station" into CNN news. New. (RWK-CT)
- WHUN PA** **Huntingdon** - 12/23 1100 - Fair in WMRD null with C&W song then "For more than 50 years this is ... country station in the nation. AM 11-50, WHUN Huntingdon." New. (RWK-CT)
- 1160 **WAMB TN** **Nashville** - 1/1 1730 - Ad for Bush Dental Center in Nashville. "Music Radio 1160 with 50,000 watts." NOS music format. (RJ-NC)
- WYLL IL** **Chicago** - 1/3 1600 - "WYLL would like to remind you..." "God bless America, ... online at WYLL dot com and live from the WYLL News and Information Center it's time for the latest news traffic and weather from Chicago's word..." (DL-MD)
- WCCS PA** **Homer City** - 1/11 2225 - Battling rather nicely with local pain WVNJ with tunes by Don Henley and Chicago, ID's as "the home of big hits and yesterday's favorites." Also local weather report and promo for "Operation Snow Watch keeps Indiana County informed" and local Indiana county news headlines at 2242. Nice peaks. (MB-NJ)
- 1170 **WCLN NC** **Clinton** - 12/14 2345-0000 - Dxtip from list, running day power and dueling quite nicely with WWVA and the Roy Masters program. Oldies tunes with male dj, "Oldies, 1170" id and "1170, WCLN" id followed right behind the WWVA d at the TOH. (MB-NJ)
- 1200 **WOAI TX** **San Antonio** - 1/6 0430 - Fair; Coast-to-Coast AM, "Newsradio 1200, WOAI" in WKOX null. (BC-NH)
- 1260 **CKHJ NB** **Fredericton** - 1/8 0008 - On tip from David Hochfelder heard this mixing with others playing C&W songs. Recorded ID "Still going - 30 minutes of continuous country on KHJ". Faded back into mush, but gave another KHJ

- ID at top of hour. Caught it the next night with a full legal ID. New. (RWK-CT)
- WBNR NY** **Beacon** - 1/9 1800 - Rose out of mush to very good strength with end of ballad, then recorded ID by man "It's 6:00 at The Sound of the Valley" then song ID "WBNR Beacon/Newburgh". New. (RWK-CT)
- 1270 **WUCO OH** **Marysville** - 12/8 0035-0120 - fair; moderate signal strength with deep fades and lots of co-channel interference from an as-yet-unidentified Spanish station and WXYT Detroit carrying Sporting News Radio. Played C&W and Christmas music like "Silent Night." Clear call letter IDs at 0100 and 0115. (DH-NJ)
- WHEO VA** **Stuart** - 12/30 1700 - Fair in mix with Verizon Wireless ad "Visit the WHEO news 5 studios - your Authorized Verizon Wireless dealer" with address in Stuart, woman: "Hey there, Patrick County..." then s/off. New. (RWK-CT)
- WXYT MI** **Detroit** - 1/10 0300 - In heavy co-channel: "twelve seventy, WXYT Detroit" (DL-MD)
- WLBR PA** **Lebanon** - 1/10 0700 - In co-channel at 0659: "Good Morning from the WLBR News Room, I'm Gordon..." (weather and local news) on the hour: "Five AM to one AM, twenty hours of music, information, and sports. First in the Lebanon Valley, WLBR Lebanon" into ABC News. (DL-MD)
- 1280 **WADO NY** **New York** - 1/7 0500 - SS programming with English ID on the hour: "WADO twelve eighty AM New York" (DL-MD)
- WHVR PA** **Hanover** - 1/7 0700 - In co-channel: "This is ... News and Information Leader ... twelve eighty, WHVR Hanover" into CNN news. (DL-MD)
- 1290 **CJBK ON** **London** - 12/9 0100-0135 - good; dominant with Coast to Coast talk show. Local ads for London, Stratford, and Ingersoll, such as ad for London Christmas Festival on 12/9. Call letter ID at 0130. New: I can't believe that I didn't log this one before... (DH-NJ)
- + 1/10 2300 - Weak in adjacent channel noise from 1300 and co-channel interference: "... right here on twelve ninety, CJBK, where there's talk all day and talk all night" and "CJBK is on the web, at CJBK dot com." (DL-MD)
- WCHY GA** **Savannah** - 1/10 1555 - Radio Disney with ID. (PEW-SC)
- WNBF NY** **Binghamton** - 1/11 0600 - "News talk twelve ninety, at WNBF" weak in co-channel at 0500, much louder at 0600. (DL-MD)
- 1300 **WNQM TN** **Nashville** - 1/10 1559 - Clear above all with ID. (PEW-SC)
- 1310 **WLOB ME** **Portland** - 1/14 1850 - on top with PSA and then ID. ID was big band choral style "WLOB 13-10, Greater Portland." (BT-NB)
- 1320 **WMSR TN** **Manchester** - 12/31 0806 - Promo for classic country WXYM-1600 after the news. (RJ-NC)
- CKEC NS** **New Glasgow** - 1/14 1853 - rare at night w/ DJ Mark and full ID out of local Barra McNeil's song, then signing off and tee-up for next DJ Karen Corbett at the top of the hour. Into Michelle Branch tune at 1854. (BT-NB)
- 1340 **WALL NY** **Middletown** - 12/25 1300 - Great in phase null of WYBC-CT with ESPN program, then recorded ID with "God Bless America" in background and man: "13-40 WALL Middletown, 13-90 WEOK Poughkeepsie - ESPN Radio" back to SportCenter. New (RWK-CT)
- 1360 **WNJC NJ** **Washington Twp.** - 1/9 2255 - Gospel music then brief break and ID as "the new and improved, WNJC." Back to more gospel music then quickly faded. (MB-NJ)
- WDRC CT** **Hartford** - 1/14 1857 - uncommon here with no sign of regular CKBC Bathurst, NB. W/ sports talk about the basketball conference. Announced they were broadcasting live from the Prospect Café in West Hartford and were taking calls at 1-888-574-2723. Full ID approaching the top of the hour: "Connecticut's best radio, 24 hours a day, WDRC Radio" then into CNN news at 1900. (BT-NB)
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- 1370 **WLTC NC** **Gastonia** - 12/28 2024 - "Rejoice Radio 1370 and 1490", on way past sunset. (RKS-NJ)
- 1380 **CKPC ON** **Brantford** - 12/26 2015 - ID, Dionne Warwick song, then faded with SS in background. (DBJ-PA)
- WWMI FL** **St. Petersburg** - 12/31 0801 - Kid ID "Radio Disney 1380 WWMI-St. Petersburg." (RJ-NC)
- 1390 **WLAN PA** **Lancaster** - 12/29 0917 - Fair in Poughkeepsie null with "Light" mx, "1390

- 1400 WHMP MA **Northampton** - 12/24 1733 - "The Pioneer Valley's Station for News and Information, 1400 WHMP". (RKS-NJ)
- 1420 WVJS KY **Owensboro** - 01/13 1900 - "WVJS Owensboro" ID into ABC news, then disappeared into CHKT-1430 slop. (MKB-ON)
- 1430 WXKS MA **Everett** - 1/4 2208 - Briefly on top with NOS music and "Boston's best music, WXKS" ID. (MB-NJ)
- WDIC VA **Clinchco** - 1/7 1545 - "Real Country" format, ID, "...40 years serving SW VA and Eastern KY, AM-Stereo-1430,WDIC". (KVJ-GA)
- 1440 KITA AR **Little Rock** - 1/9 2143 - gospel music, "KITA-your station for inspiration..." AR Dept. of Transportation PSA. (KVJ-GA)
- WHKW OH **Warren** - 1/13 1800 - "Here on the new twelve twenty WHK" "The news is next on twelve twenty WHK Cleveland, fourteen forty WHKW Warren, Youngstown", followed by SRN news feed. (DL-MD)
- 1450 WOL DC **Washington** - 1/13 1400 - "You're in tune with the WOL News Talk Network, WOL fourteen fifty in Washington DC, WOLB ten-ten in Baltimore, your News Talk Network, where information is power." (DL-MD)
- 1460 WBNS OH **Columbus** - 12/29 1700 - Solid on top, ad for Dander Mountain Sporting Goods in Reynoldstown or Columbus just South of I-70. "Your Official home of the Buckeyes, WBNS-AM, Columbus, Sportsradio 1460." ESPN Radio promos. (RKS-NJ)
- WBRN MI **Big Rapids** - 1/13 1801 - fighting off nulled CJOY with Baltimore Ravens vs. Miami Dolphins playoff game, ID: "NFL action right here on WBRN Big Rapids". (MKB-ON)
- 1470 WBTX VA **Broadway** - 12/29 1648 - "Join us on Sunday Morning here on WBTX". Weather. (RKS-NJ)
- 1480 WHBC OH **Canton** - 1/7 1638 - Oldies, spot for "Signature Mortgage"; weather report. (KVJ-GA)
- WBPP TN **Memphis** - 1/10 2025 - "WBPP" in between gospel songs. (KVJ-GA)
- 1490 WLPA PA **Lancaster** - 12/30 1442 - Subway ad, GEICO ad, followed by ad for 84 Lumber and PSA for Pennsylvania Turnpike. ID as "WLPA, Hometown Sports" at 1449. (DBJ-PA)
- 1520 KOMA OK **Oklahoma City** - 1/3 0001 - Religious program u/WWKB. ID @0001 "You're listening to KOMA, Oklahoma City, now back to our regular programming." (RKS-NJ)
- WTRI MD **Brunswick** - 1/4 1200 - "WTRI Brunswick, Washington, Baltimore" ID played over ongoing program. Oriental language. (DL*MD)
- + 1/6 1500 - Oriental language at :59 "Sixteen fifty AM KFOX, Torrance you have The Faith. You are listening to Southern California's best Korean radio station in high quality stereo" followed with a local ID over the ongoing program just after the hour: "WTRI Brunswick, Washington, Baltimore" (DL-MD)
- WWKB NY **Buffalo** - 1/6 1900 - "on Business Talk Radio, fifteen twenty WWKB Buffalo." (DL-MD)
- 1530 WSAI OH **Cincinnati** - 1/6 0900 - Good; Purity Products infomercial, "1530 WSAI Cincinnati, a service of Clear Channel Worldwide, with continuous favorites all day," and nostalgia. (BC-NH)
- + 1/11 2100 - "The best play here every day, Cincinnati's original hits station, fifteen thirty, WSAI" "We're fifteen thirty, WSAI Cincinnati, a service of Clear Channel World Wide" followed by locally originated news. News was delayed until after the top of the hour in a natural break in musical program. (DL-MD)
- 1550 WVAB VA **Virginia Beach** - 1/3 2335-2358 - Dueling (but with nice peaks) with the very pesky-but nulloable-Disney outlet in CT (WDZK) and CBE to a lesser extent. Running what sounded like the television feed for CNN Headline News, local ad for Mid-Atlantic Leasing and "WVAB, Virginia Beach" ID. Must be running day power, since the Log has them at 9 watts nights. Thanks to Neil Kaz for the heads-up! (MB-NJ)
- + 1/4 2212 - ".on WVAB" heard thru WBSC into country. (RKS-NJ)
- WBSC SC **Bennettsville** - 1/4 2210 - Ad for Billy Moore Agency serving Marlboro County on the bypass, 479-4871. (RKS-NJ)


- KSFT MO **St. Joseph** - 1/12 0300 - Very weak with ID: "Oldies 1550 KSFT St. Joseph" but couldn't recognize the songs being played. (SC-IN)
- KLFJ MO **Springfield** - 1/12 0400 - Looped broadcast of Traveler's Aid for Branson. "The Branson Ticket Center and Welcome Station is just south of Springfield on Highway 65 at the Evans Road exit", "Secret back roads to avoid the crowds" and "Buy your gas here, it's cheaper than at Springfield". (SC-IN)
- WMRE WV **Charles Town** - 1/12 1644 - Excellent atop channel with ID "Memories 15-50, WMRE" and into Barbra Streisand tune. (MD-MA)
- WKBA VA **Vinton** - 1/12 1705 - Good over CBE with Gospel music and IDs. (MD-MA)
- 1560 WCNW OH **Fairfield** - 1/14 1655 - choral "America the Beautiful" then numerous responsive Hail Mary's, followed by brief mx, then ID, mostly o/Radio Disney. (RJE-PA)
- 1570 WNCA NC **Siler City** - 12/23 0000 - Cutting through mush with recorded ID by man: "Programming with a purpose all year long ... WNCA Siler City" then what sounded like a s/off announcement with frequency & power. New. (RWK-CT)
- 1580 WRDD PA **Ebensburg** - 1/4 2135 - On day power w/AM 950 Ids and oldies. (RKS-NJ)
- 1600 WXMY VA **Saltville** - 12/24 1603 - WMSR Local News. Ad for car dealership. Reminder not to drink and drive on New Year's Eve. (RJ-NC)
- 1650 KWHN AR **Fort Smith** - 1/10 2200 - Heard "KYHN" ID at TOH. KYHN is on 1230, KWHN is // on 1650. 10 over S9 slop, both wires. New! (HN-GA)
- 1680 WTIR FL **Winter Garden** - 1/11 2120 - Tourist & travel info about Florida and amusements in Florida. Long slow fades with a music station. "Florida Travelers Information Radio" (DL*MD)
- WJNZ MI **Ada** - 1/12 2055 - "WJNZ" (DL*MD)
- WTTM NJ **Princeton** - 1/12 2100 - Apparent dead air between spots and program. "WTTM ... on ESPN Radio, sixteen eighty" (DL*MD)
- 1700 WEUV AL **Huntsville** - 1/5 1958 - Good & alone on channel with Gospel music and ID. Heard on car radio at beach in Hyannis. (MD-MA)
- KTBK TX **Sherman** - 1/6 0920 - Good; ESPN Radio over WEUV, more than two hours after local sunrise. (BC-NH)
- KBGG IA **Des Moines** - 1/13 2158 - Fair over WEUV with CNN Headline News & ID. Heard on car radio on Route 3 in Plymouth. (MD-MA)

TIS, HAR, MISC.

- 530 WAI707p NJ **New Jersey Hwy TIS** Sure about the 707 in the call. (RKS-NJ)
- 1620 WPQE514 VA **Chesterfield County** - 12/20 1925 - Man in and out of TIS jumble with mentions of Pamplin Park, Petersburg, Civil War battlefield, Saturday holiday celebration, 185, etc. Confirmed by phone with Pamplin Park that this is a tape loop run during idle periods by the VA DOT HAR stations on 1-95. WPQE514 is the call for the Chesterfield VA stations run by the DOT - all are 10 watts. (RWK-CT)

Expiring? Time to renew? Not sure when? Need to call or e-mail someone? Check the back page - it's all right there!

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Foreign DX Catches. Times are UTC; for ELT, subtract 5 hrs.

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I put up a new wire, giving me three to use with the phasing unit. The new SWW wire really kicks on longwave, with all of the regular ones much stronger, but no TA's so far. I don't know if I'll get an east wire up this year. Can anyone comment on the wisdom or futility of running about 100 feet of coax to reach a culvert to cross the road?

We now have a reciprocal e-mail trade with the Arctic Radio Club. In addition to the Arctic Radio Club (ARC) Information Desk material, we now have quicker access to the South American Desk and Central American Desk items.

Thanks to all who endeavor to follow the format used below. If I take a look at your report close to the deadline and it needs too much reformatting, the honest truth is that I get impatient and bounce it to the following week's column. We also appreciate it very much if you do not use abbreviations or hamspeak.

My apologies to those who take care to add accents to foreign words. Unfortunately many of your reports translate them as some sort of machine code. Most of these I can figure out, but others lead to errors on my part.

Jim

Trans-Atlantic DX

- 153 ALGERIA Becher JAN 11 2323. Good level peaking to local level at 0000 with Arabic talk by a man and woman and traditional Arabic music. New country #22. [Ball-IL] OCT 5 0218-0230 - Middle Eastern music, female vocalist and orchestra, no spoken words. Fair. [Trelford-JAM]
- 162 FRANCE RFI Allouis. JAN 6 0656 - Strong signal made it over local power line noise. French talk, time pips leading up to the top of the hour. New country #21. JAN 12 0545 - Fair signal with French talk [Ball-IL]
- 183 GERMANY EUROPE 1 Saarlouis, JAN 12 0643. Fair to good signal with French talk. New country #24. [Ball-IL]
- 207 MOROCCO RTM A Azilal JAN 12 0019. Fair signal, but hampered by beacon stations. Arabic talk. New country #23 [Ball-IL]
- 216 FRANCE RMC Roumoules JAN 12 0535. Poor signal with man and woman in French talk. [Ball-IL]
- 252 ALGERIA Tipaza JAN 12 0705. Excellent signal, but hampered by beacons. French talk. [Ball-IL] JAN 18 0230 excellent signal with French (I think) pop music, easily topping Ireland. [Renfrew-NY]
- 621 CANARY ISLANDS RNE1 JAN 17 0210. Fair signal occasionally peaking to good with two men in Spanish. New country #25. [Ball-IL]

Jeff speaks: "On Sunday Jan 6 reception of my first TA occurred. I have been in this hobby for three years and TA reception has always been one of my goals. Hets on several TA frequencies were heard but no audio appeared."

Jeff speaks again: "I put together a EWE this past weekend. This is a fantastic antenna. I have it running east to west with the termination on the west end. I constructed mine with the vertical portions 10 feet and the horizontal portion 100 feet. The antenna is 7 feet off the ground. The antenna is very quiet. About 90% of my local noise is gone. I finished getting the thing up at dusk. I tuned the Drake to 153 KHz and Algeria was running at about S7 and peaked to local level around 0000. Several other TA's have since been put in the log book and several new countries added, I just wish that I would have took French in high school. This antenna is a keeper."

Pan-American DX

- 580 MEXICO XEMU Piedras Negras COAH, MAR 14 0330 - Heard with good level with ranchera program. Multiple uses of the 'La Rancherita' slogan and ad strings for businesses in Piedras Negras. [Bryant-OK]
- 590 CUBA Radio Clara, JAN 10 0440 - Presumed CMCA in San Antonio Vargas, with instrumental jazz music, then "Radio Clara" ID at 0445. Low modulation made it very hard to hear much of any of the words spoken. [Ponder-TX]
- 590 CUBA R. Musical Nacional, Santa Clara JAN 7 0315 - Battling with local pest WARM and WLVA with opera music interspersed with commentary by a male host. [Battaglino-NJ]
- 600 CUBA R. Rebelde, Urbano Noris JAN 7 0330 - Loud at times with SS music, news at the top

- of the hour, and taking callers with a male and female host. [Battaglino-NJ]
- 630 CUBA Radio America (?), JAN 10 0450 - Numerous "whistle" sound effects, alternating male/female announcers; heard several mentions of "servicio Cubanismo" and "noticias de Radio America" at 0500, must have been news items. At 0504, male announcer mentioned "Buenos noches" then two more "whistle" sound effects, and signal gone at 0505. [Ponder-TX] (How about Honduras? WRTH says they sign off at 0515 - Jim)
- 690 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC R.Guarachita, Santo Domingo, JAN 12 0100 - Poor to fair; "la Republica Dominicana" and "en Radio Guarachita," rustic merengue music, over R. Progreso, Cuba at times. [Conti-NH]
- 780 MEXICO XEMF Monclova, COAH, MAR 11 0258 - A three station SS jumble here all evening with no sign of WBBM on any antenna. At exactly 0258, male announcer with multiple IDs as 'EM-mey EF-fey' and 'La Primera Estación en Monclova.'. [Bryant-OK]
- 780 MEXICO XESFT, San Fernando, TAMA, Mar 11 0300 - At exactly 0300, a male announcer arced up out of the jumble and gave a full legal ID as 'XESFT, La Primera (three or four words missed)... San Fernando, Tamaulipas.' There was no sign of the previously reported 'Triple T' slogan. The XESFT call letters were very clear. I believe that these are the two stations that I hear play the Mexican National Anthem every morning at 1200. One always begins at 1158, the other at 1200. Maybe the XEMF station clock is 2 minutes fast (see logging above.). [Bryant-OK]
- 890 UNID JAN 10 0514 - male announcer gave the titles of each song played, reading them over the music; at 0516, heard announcer say "en Gran Exitos"; announcer read night-by-night broadcast schedule at 0518, then faded out at 0522. Presumed R. Progreso, Cuba. [Ponder-TX]
- 1010 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIJA Santo Domingo, SEP 24 0400-0407 - Sign on, national anthem, ID, including "Radio Comercial", LA pop music, fair. [Trelford-JAM]
- 1020 VENEZUELA YVMX Maracaibo, NOV 3 2139 - LA pop music, clear ID as Radio Calendario, fair. [Trelford-JAM]
- 1030 MEXICO XEQR Mexico City DF, DEC 1 0450 - Spanish, Mexican mentions // Internet. [Shaftan-NJ]
- 1060 MEXICO XEEP Mexico City DF, NOV 220500 - Standards/Classical/80s oldies and R. Educacion IDs including website ending in ".mx". [Shaftan-NJ]
- 1090 MEXICO Rosarita, BCN, JAN 12 1400 - with national anthem and S/O ID. A slogan I am not used to hearing was on, "La Voz de la Anaheim Angels." Then into tropical music. [Redding-AZ] (Not sure what "S/O" means, sign on? - Jim)
- 1100 CUBA, R. Cadena Habana, CMCH?, La Habana, JAN 10 0500 - In WTAM null with muffled, distorted audio. Man & woman alternating announcements, then "... Muy buenos noches" Then trumpet fanfare (sounds exactly like it did 20 years ago), then "Esta es R. Cadena Habana, la frecuencia popular". Some slop from WBAL and ZDK in the mix. New. [Kenneally-CT]
- 1110 VENEZUELA R. Carúpano, Carúpano, DEC 29 0300 - Rising up over WBT with great ID: "R. Carúpano, La Emisora de la buena suerte" (broadcaster of good luck?). More talk by man as it faded away. New. [Kenneally-CT]
- 1190 MEXICO XECT Monterrey, NL, Mar 15 0319 - Noted with a great music program of SS 'covers' of 70s EE ballads and Mexican romantica music hosted by male. ID'ed using the Que Llega slogan. Excellent level. [Bryant-OK]
- 1210 CUBA R.Sancti Spiritus (CMGL), Sancti Spiritus JAN 13 0700 - Fair to good; woman in Spanish with frequent UTC-5 time checks, tropical/Hispanic pop music mix, pre-recorded ID at the top of the hour, with WPHT off. Thanks to Rick Shaftan for the tip via <dxtip@nrcdxas.org> and AOL Instant Messaging. [Conti-NH] JAN 13 0616 - WPHT off, Mix of Spanish and US tunes. "Ole Ole" at 0125, Bette Midler, "From a Distance" Thanks to Bruce Conti for figuring this one out. [Shaftan-NJ]
- 1220 MEXICO XEB Mexico, D.F., MAR 15 0300 - Noted mixing with KMVL in SE Texas. ID at 0300 as per IRCA Mexican Log. [Bryant-OK]
- 1280 PUERTO RICO WCNM Arecibo, NOV 1 1931-2100 - talk show, ID as "WCNM, Arecibo", poor. [Trelford-JAM]
- 1370 MEXICO XERPU Durango, OCT 28 2200-2205 - LA pop music, ID as "Radio Sandoz", poor. [Trelford-JAM]
- 1375 ST. PIERRE ET MIQUELON RFI JAN 6 0305 - Very week signal peaked up for about 2 minutes with French talk. New country #20. [Ball-IL]
- 1420 VENEZUELA YVNZ Maracaibo, DEC 4 2229-2303 - LA pop music, ID as Radio Marindela, fair. [Trelford-JAM]
- 1480 DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HIAH Santo Domingo, NOV 27 2143-2200 - LA pop music,

- ranchera, ID as "Radio VEN, Santo Domingo". [Trelford-JAM]
 1510 MEXICO XEQI Monterrey, NL, JAN 10 0526 - Announcer read weather report, giving temps across Mexico, then heard announcer talking on phone with female caller at 0537. Great ID at 0607, "Escuchando XEQI, 1510 kilohertz, en la banda de amplitud modulada ... Sultana ... transmitiendo desde ... Victoria Leon con diez mil watts de potencia ... Colonia ... Monterrey, Nuevo Leon, Mexico ... telefono 83-47-...-26, fax 83-47-40-46 ... Sultana ... un emisora sistema Radio Nuevo Leon" [Ponder-TX] MAR 12 1158 - Noted with Mexican National Anthem followed by cocks crowing and full ID with good signal level. Also heard 1/14 at 0345 with magnificent program of almost operatic Romantic music. Full legal ID by male at 0400 with slogans exactly as per IRCA Log. [Bryant-OK]
 1520 COLOMBIA unID JAN 6 1100 - National anthem under WWKB. WRTH lists Ecos del Palmar, Bogotá with sign-off at this time. [Conti-NH]
 1550 MEXICO XENU Nuevo Laredo, TAMS, JAN 08 0641 - with "La Rancherita 1550" and "1550 AM La Rancherita" IDs, some splash from adjacent-channel KGBC 1540 in Galveston, TX [Ponder-TX] MAR 12 1201 - Noted with Mexican National Anthem multiple La Rancherita slogans with good signal level. [Bryant-OK]

Jim speaks: "I suspect John's reports are not from March. Perhaps he means January?"

Corrections

I was enjoying the large 1/7/02 issue and noticed a couple of things I might help clear up. First, from the DXpedition pages I noticed two things. 950 Argentina. Station is Radio Libertad. 710 Argentina. Radio 10 is in fact the most powerful station in Argentina. There are pictures of the 100 kw Nautel transmitter on my home page, www.davidgleason.com. 870 has been cut to 50 kw for years and years. I am the station consultant, and I barely got out of the country a few weeks ago when the government was changing every 48 hours. Otherness: noticed two mentions in reports on Puerto Rico stations of "Puertorriquense." There is no such term or word. Something Puerto Rican is Puertorriqueño or Puertorriqueña. 1660 WGIT Puerto Rico. License is Canavanas. Moca is a full 85 miles from Canavanas, which is at the Eastern side of the San Juan metro. In Puerto Rico, NotiUno net is now only WCMN-1280, WXEW-840, WUNO-630, WNEL-1430 and WPRP-910 and WORA-760. WLEY, WKFE, WMNT and others have been eliminated from the net to improve Arbitron ratings (small stations that go unreported detract from total listening!). This is another station I consult. [David Gleason]

I need to make a correction to my log of British Virgin Islands that appeared in issue 69-14. The correct time should be 2302 not 0638. I accidentally inserted the time for the RQ-910 log. My first report and I make a mistake. [Ball-IL]

More on China

Re China 1521, Urumqi correctly is used only by the Russian service. According to available schedules they would not even be on the air at 2125. Taiwan on 1521 reportedly has only a reduced schedule nowadays and would not be on the air at the time quoted. Since the Chinese are putting new high powered transmitters on the air for their domestic services, it could, basically, be something new, but so far no reports to that end are in. [Olle Alm, Sweden, <o.alm@telia.com>]

International News

- ARGENTINA: Information about unofficial stations in Gran Buenos Aires: 1670 BBC America Latina is inactive since some days for unknown reasons. [MAC in CON Digital 138] 1710 R Mec is a new station broadcasting from Caseros. The station identifies as "Mec 1710 kilohertz senal de ajuste" [Claudio Morales in CON Digital 138] 1710 R Mec or R Mec broadcasting from Caseros is new. Ed's note: Obviously the same station. [ASL in CON Digital 139] [selections from a longer list in ARC South America Desk e-mail]
 COLOMBIA: 870 HJZH Nueva emisora en transmisiones de prueba desde Medellin. "... Antioquia esta estrenando una nueva señal, en Colombia ya tenemos las 8 de la noche con 2 minutos felicidades en Navidad y año nuevo les desea las 870 del AM HJZH donde muy pronto brillara vida, vida tensra los 870 del AM..." [Rafael Rodriguez] The station is identified as Radio Vida (or Radio Viva) by our member in Quito, Bjorn Malm. [from ARC South America Desk e-mail]
 CUBA: An updated list of all Radio Progreso outlets: 640 Las Tunas 810 Guantánamo, 640 Ciudad de la Habana, 820 Ciego de Avila, 660 Santa Clara 850 Mayari Arriba, 680 Cienfuegos, 870 Sancti Spiritus, 680 Santiago de Cuba, 880 Pinar del Río, 690 Jovellanos, 890 Chambas, 700 Baracoa, 900 Cacocun, 730 Nueva Gerona 920 Pilón, 740 Camaguey [Radio Progreso web site in ARC Central America Desk e-mail]

RUSSIA: New Russian station on 1305 kHz. R.Druzhba [friendship] started operating via a powerful MW transmitter located near Moscow on January 1. At present the station is on the air with test transmissions broadcasting pop and folk songs of the CIS [Commonwealth of Independent States] countries. In a brief address to the audience transmitted on January 3 the station's head promised that R.Druzhba would specialize in CIS topics and would broadcast corresponding information, analytical, cultural and music programs. We have failed to find any further details about R. Druzhba so far. It is unknown, in particular, if the station intends to operate only for the Moscow area or if coverage will be extended. [Klub DX # 582 of the Voice of Russia via Igor Sannikov, Kirov, Russia in hard-core-dx]

VENEZUELA: Changes reported by "Venezuela en la onda". Can anyone confirm? 610 YVMN Radio Coro, Coro, ex 780 kHz, 640 YVNN Radio Punto Fijo, Punto Fijo, ex 940 kHz, 880 YVYM Venezuela 880, Puerto Ordaz, ex Mundial 8-80 Venezuela en la onda; 620 YVZC Radio Fé y Alegría, Guasdaluto, ex 640 kHz. ID: "Radio Fe y Alegría 620 AM, 10 años formando hombres y mujeres utiles a nuestra patria.... Fe y Alegría los Llanos, 10 años en tu corazón...." [Rafael Rodríguez, in ARC South America Desk e-mail] (These would represent some major changes among stations that are frequently heard in North America - Jim)

VENEZUELA: Circuito AM Digital is a new network in Venezuela owned by Circuito Radio Venezuela: 720 YVQE Radio Oriente, Porlamar, 790 YVKC Radio Dif Venezuela, Caracas (flagship station), 880 YVYM Radio 880AM, Puerto Ordaz, 900 YVMD Mara Ritmo 900, Maracaibo, 960 YV. Radio Llanera, Acarigua, 990 YVTA Radio Tricolor, Barquisimeto, 1010 YVQF Radio Bolívar, Ciudad Bolívar, 1110 YVQT Radio Carúpano, Carúpano, 1150 YVMV Ondas del Caribe, Punto Fijo, 1190 YVRE Radio Barinas, Barinas, 1220 YVVM Radio Valencia José [www.radiovenezuela.com.ve in ARC South America Desk e-mail]

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Musings

of the Members

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HOW I GOT STARTED IN DX'ING.....Brent Taylor, VE1JH

I recently re-joined the NRC after having been a member in the 1970s and again in the mid-1990s. I started tuning on a tube type radio that had done duty on our kitchen table when I was a kid in Montreal, logging New York, Boston, Detroit and Chicago clears, as well as WBT, WWL, WSB and WOAI. When I was about 13 I got a (very cheap) shortwave receiver for Christmas and did some listening with it on HF, but always seemed to go back to MW. My main rig was a 1930s vintage floor model radio (which I still have). In 1974 (I think) I joined the NRC while still living in suburban Montreal. As soon as it arrived on shelves, I got myself a Radio Shack TRF (12-655) which I still have today, although it's officially "dead" for the time being I did a few mods to it, including a tuning cap for the antenna, an external antenna binding post and a 1/4" phono jack for my headphones. With the TRF and the radio in my dad's '71 Ford LTD I managed to log hundreds of stations, verifying many of them

and recording the rest. My most serious activity was in the mid- to late-1970s in both Montreal and Moncton, NB, where we moved in the summer of 1975. From Moncton (not far from the RCI SW transmitters at Sackville) and later from Doaktown (also NB) I experienced excellent conditions, and despite my VERY limited equipment, bagged many TAs, including crystal clear IDs and interval signals from Sud Radio and Rabat 818, BBC 647 (a regular), Conakry 1403, Noukachott, Ain Beida, etc. I also snagged some very nice recorded IDs from South America and the Caribbean, including YVKS-750, Radio Paradise (St. Kitts) and the regulars like TWR-800 and the many Cubans. I did all of this with either the TRF or the car radio, with no extra antenna mods. Domestically, I did manage to bag WINZ Miami for my only Floridian, and also got KFI and KNX in Los Angeles (both on the car radio from Moncton in the same evening). I have a good taped ID from KSL-1160 as they went into the Herb Jepko "Nightcap" show one night, and got the whole Nightcap theme song on tape. University, work and family then intervened to seriously curtail my listening, and my passion for it. Propelled by my interest in MW DX, I got into broadcasting as my first career in 1980, working on air at CFAN-790 and then at CFNB-550 (50KW-now dark). I stayed in the "field" until 1985, when I moved back to Doaktown with my wife. I got my ham ticket in 1984 (VE1JH) and am still moderately active on 6-meters and UHF/VHF FM satellite/shuttle frequencies. In 1989 I got involved in politics and served one term (1991-95) in the New Brunswick provincial legislature. Since 1995 I have been in the computer education field, and currently am the lead instructor of the Systems Support Technician program at a local business college. My listening on MW has been very casual, but I have decided to re-join the NRC in anticipation of getting more time to use my new YB-400 (upstairs) and maybe more shack time (basement) with R390, the FRG7, the FRG-7700 and the TS-680S (Kenwood ham rig with surprisingly good performance on MW). As the solar cycles ramp up, I head for 6-meters, as they start to slide I head for MW. 73 (And welcome back to the NRC, Brent; we'll look forward to your future DX doings!-DWS)

Bob Anthony (N2SU) - Clifton NJ (Sportscaster, WGHT Pompton Lakes NJ, www.ghtradio.com)

When I was about six years old, I used to get up early on Saturdays and try to pick up the channel 6 test pattern from Philadelphia. A couple of years later, one of my cousins got into shortwave listening and he would bring the radio to our grandparents' house in the country. He'd string a wire in the trees, and we'd stay up late at night to listen to the propaganda on the shortwave bands (this was the mid-60s). Then in 1968, we got a small Panasonic portable AM radio from the local stamp redemption center (remember those?) and that summer, I picked up over 200 stations on that thing and I was hooked. That Christmas, I got a shortwave receiver (a Hallicrafters S-120) and three years later my first ham ticket. It has also led to my getting an EE degree and becoming a broadcaster, which I currently do part-time... << Dan Kelly was without doubt the best hockey announcer that ever lived. There is NO ONE that has ever come close. I remember he was the announcer on the CBS hockey games in the late 60s / early 70s. I doubt there will ever be anyone as good. >> I heartily agree. He was an absolute rarity, a Canadian who had a tremendous feel for the game without the pomposity of many Canadian announcers. Their style is much slower and methodical than Americans, who talk a lot faster. I also happen to be a sportscaster, and have been involved in broadcasting off-and-on since 1980. My play-by-play credentials include Major League Soccer, NCAA Division 1 sports and lots of high school stuff. Broadcasting and hamming aside, I still look fondly on AM DXing, because that is my roots activity in radio, even though I am involved in other things at present. Lots of interesting reading here. [Thanks for your report also, Bob; WGHT is one of the stations I enjoy listening to whilst traveling in the NJ/NY/PA area it serves (it's got a huge signal over the Tappan Zee Bridge!) Keep in touch with us!-DWS)

Kevin Redding, Mesa, Arizona

Like a lot of kids in the 60s who played little league baseball, I wanted to hear baseball on the radio. I was growing up in Texas where the only team at the time was the Houston Colt .45s. We almost never heard Houston's KTRH because the signal is mostly sent out towards Mexico and Central America. I gave up on KTRH and the Colt .45s who are now the Astros.

One night I had my Zenith Royal 400 transistor radio - and it's not known for its precise dial or extreme DXability - I heard the Cardinals and I thought it was cool because they were playing Houston. Then I heard an ID from KVOO in Tulsa. I was amazed that I could hear all the way to Tulsa and felt like it was all the way on the other side of the world. The next day I turned on the radio and KVOO had the Tulsa Drillers, the local farm club of the Cardinals. I was interested but I wanted to hear the Cardinals. They only played the Cardinals on days when the Drillers were off. I tuned a little bit more and there it was, Jack Buck and the Cardinals on KMOX. I was freaking out, St. Louis! As time passed I heard the White Sox from Chicago on WMAQ, the Cubs on WGN, the Dodgers on KFI and you know the rest of the story, I was pretty much hooked. I moved to HF for a long time and it was too easy for me, so I moved back down to the MW, TV and FM bands since it was more of a challenge. I have been DXing MW ever since coming back to the band about 1980.

Thomas Giella, (KN4LF), Plant City, FL

I started the radio monitoring hobby in 1965 at age 9 here in central Florida. My aunt gave me a big Zenith (all american 5-tube type of course) AM radio so I could listen to "The Beatles" music on the

local rock n' roll station, which I think was on 1380 kc at the time. The first night I turned it back on I heard a bunch of "different" stations from L.A., N.Y.C. and Chitown and the rest is history. Eventually I also gravitated to longwave, shortwave broadcast and utilities and amateur radio.

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I got into DXing because of baseball, too. Attended camp in northern Wisconsin near Minoqua for several years. In 1951, when I was 14, I brought a very nonselective Silvertone "portable" radio to camp. One of the guys in my cabin was from Chicago and was a Cubs fan, as was I, since our local Class A Western League team (the Des Moines Bruins) was a Cubs farm team. At that time, Cubs games were carried over WIND, which throws a terrific signal into northern Wisconsin at night, and we were able to listen to several games until lights out (headphones were an unknown to me back then). Also was able to hear a couple of stations during the day (the ones I remember are WLIN, 550, Merrill, which later evolved into WSAU; WLBI, Aubermdale and WOBT, Rhinelander). When I returned to Des Moines after that summer, I tried to see what stations I could pick up from home, and off I went into DXing for the next 50 years.

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Hello, there. It's been about five years since my last muse. I've been an NRC member for about 11 years. For the past two years, I've been employed as a Multimedia editor at Bloomberg Financial News (yes, that Bloomberg - the new mayor of New York City) after spending ten years as a producer at CBS News. I must admit I was motivated to finally write again after reading Dario Monferini's farewell message in the January 14 issue of *DX News*. You see, this muse is a bit of an admission: My membership was due to expire in February and I nearly didn't renew myself. No, it had nothing to do with the great people who make up the NRC. And *DX News* is as fine a little publication as ever. but it seems years of listening to the endless satellite-fed mediocrity that makes up the programming of almost every AM station in every market (at least at night), the lack of response from stations with no full-time engineer or knowledgeable staff, and increasing problems with man-made RF interference had taken their toll. Despite a long career in commercial radio and television (27 years), and having been part of the hobby since I was eight years old, my enthusiasm had been fading for a while. Then, in December, came the final straw: While attempting to describe to a colleague the significance of the 100th anniversary of Marconi's first trans-Atlantic transmission, I realized not only did my colleague not care, he didn't even know who Marconi was. He even rolled his eyes and laughed. The ignorance of youth? Perhaps. But the person in question was nearly 30 years old. I'm only 44 myself. I certainly don't mean to be melodramatic, but the reaction I received felt like someone had stabbed me in the heart. I shrugged my shoulders. The flame had finally gone out. Then today, a month later, for some reason I visited the Garden State Radio Board, an Internet site for the discussion of radio issues in my home state of New Jersey. And, lo and behold, there was a posting by a person who had stumbled onto the AM band at night and was fascinated with DX. And he was asking if anyone could point him to some resources. My heart jumped and I quickly fired off a reply that included a link to the NRC Web site, urging him to join our club. The response I received this time was one of thanks and great interest. I felt a rush of enthusiasm and, needless to say, I sent in my NRC membership renewal only a few hours later. When I told my wife (another former radio person) all I have just related in this message, she said she would have been disappointed if I hadn't re-upped. So, I'm back for another year. And hopefully I'll stay in better touch from now on. And here's hoping that not only will our DX be great in 2002, but that AM Radio will get past this bad patch of short-sighted ownership by conglomerates and be renewed by the technology lies just around the corner. In the meantime, let's all do our part to actively recruit new members to our hobby and educate them about the rich history of broadcasting. 73

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I probably operate in the exact opposite manner as most DXers. In about the spring of 1985, I actually began my DXing career with a 12 inch black and white Philco TV near the age of 15. My most common tropo targets were WAVY-10 and WBOC-16. I did not take notice of AM DXing until the late 80's when I tuned in CHML-900 "Hometown radio". During that time, I had very little knowledge of how radio waves are propagated and that DX clubs even existed. Then some years later, I purchased a book "Radio Monitoring" by Skip Arey. After reading the book, I signed up with the WTFDA and the NRC over a year later. In the spring of 2000, I committed myself to some serious AM DXing. My equipment consists of a Radio Shack DX399, a Radio Shack loop antenna and Optimum extended range receiver, which actually does much better on FM. I am operating on a very tight budget and do not own the most superior receivers and long wires. Despite this, I have managed to log over 160 stations. One of my best catches came last 12/17 when I caught WLOC-1150, which I think is only 61 watts at night. I'm also a TV and radio history buff and enjoy reading the stories of senior DXers. The "Broadcast Band Pioneers" section which was featured in the 1/7 issue was most interesting. Too bad folks of my generation aren't into DXing, they're missing out on a lot! (And welcome to the NRC, John, thanks for the fine report and we'll look forward to hearing from you!-DWS)

DWS